

# Torrance Casabamen Trip Centennial 53-51

## Buzz KOs Centennial Tally Rally

The timer's buzzer came none too soon for the Torrance High School casaba artists Friday afternoon in Tartar gym, where Centennial High School outscored the locals 17-11 in the final quarter to come within two points of a tie. Torrance eked out a 53-51 win, after leading 27-18 at the half.

The Centennial cagers came to life after a listless first half and got uncomfortably hot during the final minutes of the affair. But Bob Moon's 17 points and Jerry Farrar's 12 kept the Tartars in control of the game all the way. Bob Guerra whished 11 through the weave to complete the old one-two-three.

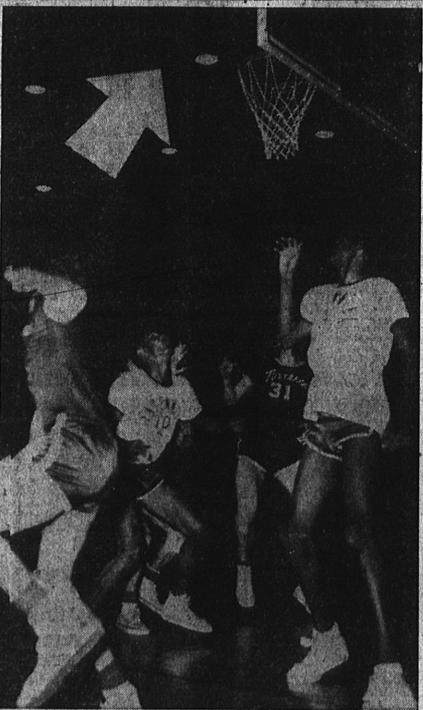
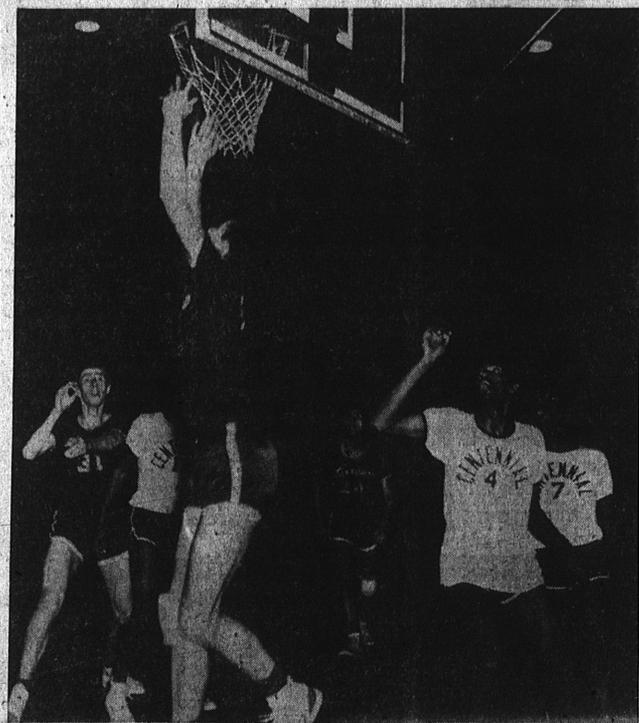
Centennial's lofty center, Herm Mason, and speedy guard Paul Lowe, ganged up on the Tartars in the last frame to score 15 points between them and put their team within breathing distance. Lowe got hotter than a two-bit cannon in the second half after scoring only two points in the first. He wound up with 14 points and Mason got 16 to lead his team.

Torrance led 14-10 at the end of one, 27-18 at the half and 42-34 at the end of the third quarter. The Tartars' next encounter will be with Newport Beach on Dec. 30 in the Newport gym.

Torrance (53) (61) Centennial  
Guerra (11) F (6) McCrumby  
Farrar (12) F (5) Porter  
Ruffell (1) C (16) Mason  
Moon (17) G (4) Slaughter  
Forth (7) G (14) Lowe

Scoring subs: Torrance—Boss, 5, Centennial—Henderson 3, Andrews 2, Powers 1.

**WHAT GOES UP . . .** Bob Moon, sterling Tartar, comes down hard as ball, arrow, goes up high. The eyes of Centennial men Lafete Slaughter (10) center, and grandstand fans Mason (4) right, follow its path. Torrance hoopster Bob Boss (31), head obscured, looks on. The Tartars won the fray 53-51 despite a last-minute rally by Centennial which was history by the final buzzer just as the Centennial team's 59th and 51st points slid through the net. (Herald photo)



## Season's Greetings

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Colorful J. C. Agajanian of San Pedro will make a triumphant return to Carrell Speedway, Gardena, on Sunday, Jan. 3, when he will inaugurate a full program of outstanding speed events for 1954.

**WOW . . .** Centennial cagers Herm Mason (4) and Paul Lowe (7), right, look on in twin amazement as Tartar Bob Moon, lays one in with reverse English. Watching are Tartars Bob Boss (31) left, and Bob Guerra (24) background. (Herald photo)

### SPORTS

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### Tartars Travel To Newport on New Year's Eve

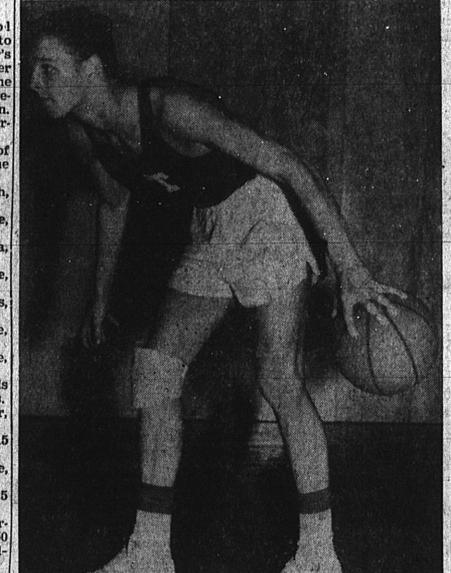
The Torrance High School basketball team will travel to Newport Beach on New Year's Eve for a basketball encounter with the Newport team, the Tartars' last practice game before league play opens on Jan. 8 against Leuzinger in the Tartar gym.

Following is a schedule of games for the remainder of the season:

Wed., Dec. 30, at Newport Beach, 8:15 p.m.  
Fri., Jan. 8, Leuzinger, here, 8:15 p.m.  
Fri., Jan. 15, at Santa Monica, 8:15 p.m.  
Tues., Jan. 19, Redondo, here, 4:15 p.m.  
Fri., Jan. 22, at Beverly Hills, 8:15 p.m.  
Tues., Jan. 26, Inglewood, here, 4:15 p.m.  
Fri., Jan. 29, Santa Monica, here, 8:15 p.m.  
Feb. 3, 4, 5, 6, Beverly Hills Tournament at Beverly Hills.  
Thurs., Feb. 11, at Leuzinger, 4:15 p.m.  
Tues., Feb. 16, at Redondo, 4:15 p.m.  
Fri., Feb. 19, Beverly Hills, here, 8:15 p.m.  
Fri., Feb. 26, at Inglewood, 8:15 p.m.

JV games start one hour earlier. General admission is 50 cents, and 25 cents for children.

### Meet The Tartars '53 Basketball Team



**BOB MOON . . .** The undisputed leader of the '53 Tartars, Bob has already written his name boldly in the history of Torrance High School sports. He made All-Bay League last year and set a school scoring record by sinking 33 points in one game. Bob is playing his last year of basketball for the Tartars, and so far it's a superlative one. He leads the team in total points scored, and is a constant threat from anyplace on the floor. He's a senior, 16 years old, stands 6 feet one-half-inch, and is a one year letterman. (Herald photo)

### Warriors Win First Two On Trip North

for College in San Jose. It was the Warriors' second win on their northern trip.

Forward Bill Baron led the scoring parade with 25 markers. Al Herring, the Warriors' star forward, sprained his ankle in the first quarter and was out for the remainder. The injury was reported not serious.

Following Baron in total points for the Warriors was Ron Heuser. The steady guard hit for 17 points.

**Initial Win**

In the Warriors' first appearance of the northern fling on Wednesday, Al Herring's 27 points contributed most to a 76-68 win over Fresno Junior College.

Trailing by one point at the end of round one, 13-12, the Warriorville lads struck back to hit for 18 points in the second stanza while holding Fresno to 15.

After a 30:28 half-time lead, the locals were never headed.

**Baron Sinks 21**

Following Herring in scoring was Bill Baron with 21 digits. Other Warriors who scored were: Johnny Nethercott, 9; Ron Heuser, 8; Tom Strawn, 5; Ed Warner, 4; and Bill Beard, 2.

El Camino (68) (56) San Jose Baron (25) F (2) Green Herring (0) F (16) Kuhn Strawn (6) G (25) Brady Nethercott (5) G (3) Oliver Heuser (17) G (4) Hallbrook

Scoring subs: El Camino—Beard 2, Warner 5, Erlinger 2, Becker 1. San Jose—Galvin, 1.

### Yuletide Cage Games Slated In City Loop

Practice basketball games in the Adult City Leagues will continue during Christmas week with six games slated, according to the Torrance Recreation Department, which sponsors the leagues.

Following is this week's schedule:

Tuesday, Dec. 22  
7:15 p.m., Court 1, Don Merrill's vs. Nightfighters.  
7:15 p.m., Court 2, Fenwick's Shoes vs. Harbor Hornets.  
8:30 p.m., Court 2, Trestle's Men's Shop vs. Harvey Canteen.

Wednesday, Dec. 23  
7:15 p.m., Court 1, Allen's Burgers vs. Al Knolls Drugs.  
8:30 p.m., Court 1, Lee's Banner Drugs vs. Redondo Eagles.  
8:30 p.m., Court 2, Torrance Teachers vs. End Walker's.

### Samohi Wins CIF Title in Last Bay League Game

For the last time, Santa Monica High School brought home the CIF, Central Group, football championship to the Bay League Friday night by trouncing Whittier 34-19 before 12,000 fans at Mt. San Antonio College.

A three-touchdown surge in the third quarter proved too much for Whittier, after they had led 12-7 at half-time. It was Santa Monica's last football game under the banner of the Bay League. League shakeups this year removed Samohi and Beverly Hills from the league and replaced them with Centennial and Paramount.

### Metro Teams Earn Basketball Honors

#### METROPOLITAN CONFERENCE ROUNDUP

El Camino Warriors continued their victory string last week and now possess a 7-0 record in non-Conference play. Bill Baron and Allen Herring, star Warrior forwards, led the attack in last week's victories over Compton College, Pierce Junior College and Pasadena City College. This week El Camino treks north to take on the strong fives of Fresno Junior College, San Jose Junior College, and San Mateo Junior College.

**Valley Earns Honors**

Basketball honors came to the Metropolitan Conference early this year with the Los Angeles Valley Junior College quintet being crowned the champions of the Antelope Valley Basketball Tourney held last week. The Monarchs copped the top spot by besting Antelope Junior College in the final game. Previously the Monarchs had defeated Palomar Jaycee and Cal Poly-San Dimas by decisive scores. Al Wright, 6 foot 8 inch ace center, paced the winners in the final with 25 points. The Valley school takes on Pierce Junior College this Thursday night.

**Renegades Third**

Gil Bishop's Bakersfield Renegades took over the third place spot in the Antelope Valley Tourney by a stunning 60-49 win over Cal Poly-San Dimas on the final night of the playoffs. Forward John Ogden led the Bakersfield five in scoring throughout and was rewarded by being named the outstanding player of the tournament. The Glades play in the Chaffey Tournament this week.

Long Beach City College successfully encountered the strong USC Fresh five and San Bernardino Valley College over the weekend to keep its record clean and now sport an 8-0 record in non-conference play. Coach Charlie Church relied on Jerry Mitchell, Bob Cook and Joe Handley to keep the opposition in check. The Vikings will spend the week in this week in the Chaffey Tournament.

San Diego in Tourney

Coach Dave Taylor's East Los Angeles Junior College climaxed last week's play with a decisive 71-45 win over the Riverside Jaycees five. Forwards Nemo Felix and Jim Gamble led the Huskies' offensive attack, and will be counted on to bring victory to the East Los Angeles school.

Santa Monica City College Corsairs led by Denny Nielson, Dick Mooney and Bob Johnston are prepping for the Chaffey Tournament this week. Coach Sanger Crumpler will rely on Forward Nielson to carry the load this year. Nielson scored 328 points last year for the Corsairs for an 8.2 average. In 1952 Conference play, Nielson averaged 10 points per game.

**TEMPLE WALLS**

The walls of the Mormon Temple in Salt Lake City, Utah, are of white granite and 10 feet in thickness.

### J. C. Agajanian To Return to Carrell Track

Colorful J. C. Agajanian of San Pedro will make a triumphant return to Carrell Speedway, Gardena, on Sunday, Jan. 3, when he will inaugurate a full program of outstanding speed events for 1954.

That's the word received today as the famed car owner and racing impresario worked out terms with the Durr Brothers—Ken, Bob and Dee—who hold the master lease on the half-mile plant.

Agajanian left Carrell some three years ago when he and his partner at that time, Emmett J. Malloy of Inglewood, were unable to agree on policy matters. He has, on occasion, promoted various AAA midjet and stock car races in the interim.

The Jan. 3 meet at Carrell will feature AAA midjet, autos. He expects entries from such ace pilots as Billy Yulovich, 1952 Lady winner.

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